

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH PEKIN-MARQUETTE HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 102
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025, 6:00PM
GEORGETOWNE MIDDLE SCHOOL
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

All Board Members received their notices of the regular meeting at least 48 hours in advance.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00P.M. by Vice President Kristin Hasty. Present were Members D. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams. Also present were Superintendent Jennifer Lindsay, Jennifer Dietrich, Camron Stanley, Alyssa Ricca, Cassie Blue, Kelsey Underwood, Rachel Bourke, Jennie Turner and Stan Jones.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD SALUTES

Member Stanley gave a Board Salute to Mr. Meints and Ms. Jackson for a successful track season that has come to an end.

Member Stanley gave a Board Salute to Mr. and Mrs. Woods for working and organizing 8th grade graduation.

Member Stanley gave a Board Salute to all staff for getting through these long last weeks of school.

CONSENT AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF:

Member Stanley made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as listed.
Motion was seconded by Member Williams.

- A. Committee Meeting Minutes, April 8, 2025
- B. Regular Meeting Minutes, April 29, 2025
- C. Closed Session Meeting Minutes, April 29, 2025
- D. Treasurer's Report – March, 2025
- E. Board Expenditures – May, 2025
- F. Imprest Fund Reports – April, 2025
- G. Activity Fund Reports – April, 2025
- H. Final 2024-2025 School Calendar
- I. Set Budget Hearing for Amended FY25 Budget
- J. 2025-26 IESA Registration
- K. Request for Maternity Leave

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry, and Williams
Motion carried 5-0

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK

Mrs. Lindsay introduced visitors: Alyssa Ricca, Georgetowne teacher, Cassie Blue, new employee who is the Food Service Director, Rachel Bourke and Kelsey Underwood Marquette teachers, new Special Education Coordinator, Jennie Turner and Stan Jones a Marquette custodian.

BUILDING REPORTS

Mrs. Dietrich informed the Board:

- The Young Author winners: Harper H. in Kindergarten, Zane R. in 1st, Lily H. in 2nd, and Olivia F. in 3rd. Our school winner was Norah N from 1st grade.
- Pre-K celebrated the students moving on to Kindergarten on May 14. Thank you to Mrs. Hasty for representing the School Board at the event.
- Final teacher institute days will be used to wrap up the end of the year and prepare for next school year. This will include articulation meetings between grade levels to discuss students.
- Fourth quarter PBIS celebration will be May 29. Students who qualify will play outside with a variety of activities.
- PAC Committee meeting was on May 9 to review the handbook for 25-26 school year. The Model Student Handbook updates have not been shared yet.
- Student of the week nominees from the second half of the year will have a pizza party the afternoon of May 16.
- Grade levels are participating in field trips and field day. Read-a-Thon will take place on May 28. Students will rotate classrooms where teachers will read a book and have activities to go along with it.

Mr. Stanley informed the Board:

- Spring STAR assessments finished up. The results will help determine student enrollment in intervention for next school year.
- Grade level articulation meetings are planned for May 29 to discuss students' progress and placement.
- Eighth grade graduation took place on Monday, May 19.
- On May 27th all GMS students are scheduled to go to Mineral Springs Park in Pekin to celebrate the ending of another school year. Students who met their PBIS goal for the quarter will get to participate in a variety of activities.
- The GMS Parent Advisory Committee met and discussed revisions to the student handbook. Updates to the model student handbook are expected over the summer and final changes will be presented for approval at a later time.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Chick and the Scholastic Bowl team. On May 30 they participated in the IESA Regional tournament and were the Regional Champions.
- Teacher appreciation week took place the week of May 5.

- Fifth through eighth grade music student participated in the spring concert May 6. Mr. and Mrs. Woods presented the annual music awards to 8th grade students. Students participated in the Spring Arts Celebration at the Peoria Riverfront Museum.
- Grandparent's Ice Cream Social took place on May 9. Around 140 grandparents or special person attended the event.
- NJHS, Mr. and Mrs. Woods completed grounds beautification on May 12.
- On May 13, third grade students visited GMS to practice their Spring Musical. They also toured the building with NJHS students, had a question and answer session with Mr. Stanley to learn more about their upcoming transition to Georgetowne.
- Pekin Rotary Academic Awards were held on May 14. Six 8th grade students were honored for their academic achievement, character and service.
- Track finished up their 24-25 season. One student qualified for State Track.
- May 15 the eighth grade students visited St. Louis. They spent the day at the St. Louis Zoo and City Museum.

ACTION ITEMS

Member Stanley made a motion for the Approval of Contract, Jennie Turner, Special Education Coordinator 2025-2027.

Motion was seconded by Member Therry.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Member D. Hasty made a motion for the Approval of Brandon Maize, Athletic Director.

Motion was seconded by Member Stanley.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Member Williams made a motion for the Approval Natalie Wendelin, Literary Club Sponsor.

Motion was seconded by Member D. Hasty.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Member Therry made a motion for the Approval of Cassie Blue, Food Services Director.

Motion was seconded by Member Stanley.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Member D. Hasty made a motion for the Approval of 2025-2026 Board of Education Meeting Dates and Times. Motion was seconded by Member Williams.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

Member Therry made a motion for the Approval of Agreement with Better Beverage
Motion was seconded by Member Stanley.
Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams
Motion carried 5-0

Member D. Hasty made a motion for the Approval of the Technology Proposal with Heart
Technologies.
Motion was seconded by Member Stanley.
Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams
Motion carried 5-0

Member Williams made a motion for the Approval of the Tentative Amended Budget.
Motion was seconded by Member D. Hasty.
Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams
Motion carried 5-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2027 Student Trip to Panama with Education First Tours –

Ms. Ricca, GMS teacher, addressed the Board and shared information regarding a trip to Panama. She spoke about wanting to bring travel to the students. She believes travel brings history to life and challenges students; adding that letting them see the world makes them confident and well rounded. Ms. Ricca spoke about how Education First Tours takes care of everything and it is a middle school designed tour that is interactive.

Facilities Updates-

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the District received the FY25 SMPG maintenance grant. This is to cover the cost of the demolition of the out building at MES and repair the blacktop, if wanted the architect could include an alternate bid to build a new garage.

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that their bond company folded and lost their bond agent as well. A different bond agent spoke with Mrs. Lindsay and will need an engagement signed to meet with him again.

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the doors will be finished this summer.

Peoria County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement-

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the Peoria Regional Office of Education is researching to see if the purchasing cooperative should join another purchasing cooperative for purchasing power for the food program.

2025-2026 Fees –

Mrs. Lindsay shared with the Board the tentative 25-26 student fees. Adding, an increase to the Band fee was necessary due to the cleaning cost of the uniforms.

Community Eligibility Provision-

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board the CEP program provides free meals for all students. Mrs. Lindsay spoke about the advantages and asked for the Boards input as to how they would like the district to proceed. The Board responded in favor of the CEP program and liked the idea of free meals for the district families.

2025-2026 School Handbook Update-

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the principals have submitted a memo explaining that they are waiting for the Model Student Handbook updates for 25-26. Mrs. Lindsay mentioned she will keep the Board informed over the summer.

2025-2026 Staff Updates –

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the ECE position is tentatively filled.

Mrs. Cupi is finishing out the year remotely and that vacancy is posted, a backup plan is in place if no social worker is found.

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the Library Clerk position is posted and an aide for the functional room is needed.

PRESS Policy Update 118- Second Read regarding policies 2:260; 2:265; 4:15; 4:80; 4:120; 5:20; 5:60; 5:100; 6:150; 6:235; 6:235; 7:10; 7:20; 7:50; 7:60; 7:70; 7:180; 7:185; 7: 190; 7:200; 7:210; 7:250; 7:255; 7:270; 7:310; 7:340; 8:30-

Mrs. Lindsay included the copy of these policy updates in redline format in an email to the Board.

Budget Summary Reports – Through March 2025 –

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that the reports are all caught up through March and spoke about anticipated expenses.

Board Convention-

Mrs. Lindsay informed the Board that reservation and registration for the November Board Convention opens in early June; and will send the annual survey regarding attendance, dates and guests for reservations.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Member Stanley made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session at 6:51P.M.

Motion seconded by Member Therry.

Voting “Yea”: D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry and Williams

Motion carried 5-0

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The Board returned to Open Session at 7:23P.M.

ACTION ITEMS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Member Stanley made a motion to approve the support staff wages for 2025-2026 as presented.

The motion was seconded by Member Williams.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Therry and Williams.

Member Stanley abstained.

Motion carried 4-0.

Member D. Hasty made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 PM

Motion seconded by Member Stanley.

Voting "Yea": D. Hasty, K. Hasty, Stanley, Therry, and Williams

Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Buhl, President

Ryan Williams, Secretary